

KUCHING (KCH/WBGG)

Elevation 88ft

CATEGORY B

No AV brief available

GENERAL

- Kuching is the capital and largest city of the Malaysian state of Sarawak on the island of Borneo
- The airport is located in the west of the island, 6 NM south of Kuching city centre

Threats**CFIT**

- High ground rises to the south and west of the airfield precluding ILS approaches to Rwy 07. A spot height of 1,673 ft asl rises just south of the Rwy 07 extended centreline at 7 NM, and there are spot heights in excess of 3,200 ft within 10 NM north west of the airfield
- Gunung Niut 5,606 ft asl is 37 NM south west

Runway Excursion

- VOR approaches Rwy 07 are offset 10°

ARRIVAL**Diversion Airports**

SIBU	SBW/WBGS	109 nm/065°T	CAT B
SINGAPORE	SIN/WSSS	382 nm/269°T	CAT A

Approach

- Due to terrain, the only approaches available to Rwy 07 are an RNAV RNP AR, the VOR Z direct arrival and procedural VOR Y. Simfest do not hold approval for the RNP AR approach.
- The VOR approaches are offset 10° due to the terrain.
- Note there is a spot height of 1,450ft asl 0.5 NM south of the offset approach to Rwy 07 at approximately 4 DME VKG
- Missed approach Rwy 25 requires accurate tracking and speed restriction due to terrain

DEPARTURE

- Rwy 07 - note that departure from Taxiway C does not provide full length Rwy 07. Take care to ensure correct performance calculations/data entry
- Rwy 25 departures require high climb gradients due to terrain

WEATHER

- Hot and very humid with substantial rainfall. Kuching is the wettest populated area in Malaysia with an average of 247 rainy days per year and only 5 hours of sunshine per day on average
- NE Monsoon (Nov-Feb) brings heavy rains and regular thunderstorms, especially late afternoon and evenings
- March is the driest month
- Temperatures are fairly constant year round at around 30°C

OPERATIONAL INFORMATION

Handling Agent	Aerodarat
Handling Agent VHF	
Potable Water	Uplift not permitted

IF ONLY Electrical Power is required	Use ground power at all times
If BOTH electrical power and air conditioning is required:	Use both ground services at all times